(b) what are the details of its recommendations;

(c) whether Government have examined the report ; and

(d) if so, the details of recommendations accepted and action taken?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES AND THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) to (d) The Government appointeed an expert committee under the Chairmanship of Dr. H.H. Siddiqui, to review and examine representations and suggestions for inclusion of drugs in Category-I of the Drug Prices Control Order, 1987. The Committee submitted its report in November, 1988 and its report containing the review of drugs is under active examination of the Government.

Functioning of Central Government Health Scheme

3081. SHRI SOHAN LAL DHUSIYA : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to sttate :

(a) when the C.G.H.S. started functioning;

(b) whether the C.G.H.S. has not so far constituted any testing laboratory of C.G.H.S. for standardisation of quality of medicines purchased by C.G.H.S. Organisation in the interest of C.G.H.S. beneficiaries and revival of Pharmacy work in the C.G.H.S. Scheme;

(c) if so, the reasons for not opening any Testing Laboratory;

(d) whether the non-availability of any Testing Laboratory is one of the main reasons for availability of spurious and sub-standard medicines in C.G.H.S. Stores;

(e) if so, the action Government propose to take in this respect ; and

(f) by when such Testing Laboratory of C.G.H.S. is likely to be opened?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES AND THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) to (f) Central Government Health Scheme was introduced in July, 1954. All allopathic medicines included in the formular are procured from Medical Store Organisation who are surplying 100% pre-tested allopathic medicines. I.S.M. & Homoeopathic Medicines included in the formulary are procured from I.M.P.C.L. (Government of India Undertaking) and the firms registered under C.G.H.S. Organolyptic test method is adopted for checking the quality of Ayurvedic and Unani Medicines whereas Homoeopathic medicines are got tested from Homoeopathic Pharmacopoeia Laboratory, Ghaziabad before acceptance of the supplies.

No proposal for opening of testing laboratories of C.G.H.S. is under consideration.

Leakage of Light Water from Rajasthan Atomic Plant

3082. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleaseed to state :

(a) whether an investigation has been ordered into a light water leak from the south-end shield in December, 1980, in one unit of the Rajasthan Atomic Power Plant;

(b) whether a similiar leak also occurred at the south-end shield in 1987 ; and

(c) if so, whether a detailed investigation has been carried out by this time, if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE

IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K.R. NARAYANAN) : (a) to (c) A crack in the calandria side tube sheet of the south end shield of Rajasthan Atomic Power Station Unit-I caused the leak initially. Location of the leak is in an inaccessible and high radiation area and, therefore, involves remote operations for repair. Sealing arrangements were made to fix the leak that occurred in 1987 and thereafter, the unit was put back into service. The unit generated 218 and 473 million units in 1987 and 1988 respectively and the unit is at present under repairs to attend to leak that reappeared on December 30, 1988. The light water leak is within the reactor building and does not pose any hazard to the plant personnel, general public or the environment.

Better facilities to Defence Personnels

3083. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have been urged recently to provide better housing, clothing and other facilities to the defence personnels, along with modern weapons ;

(b) whether recently a two Day Seminar on Arms and Defence personnel was held in Gwalior ; and a number of suggestions have been proposed in the seminar ; and

(c) if so, what are the benefits that will be provided to the defence personnel during 1989-90?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI) : (a) Government have always striven to provide improved facilities to service personnel.

(b) and (c) The Seminar in Gwalior was intended to focus Research and Development efforts on some aspects of infra-structure and logistic support. It would not be possible to quantify the outcome thereof during 1989-90.

Transfer of Technology from France regarding Defence Equipment

3084. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that India has made clear to France that it was interested in transfer of sophisticated technology and not in the outright purchase of defence equipment;

(b) if so, whether France has agreed for technical transfer of technology ; and

(c) whether any agreement in this regard has been reached with France if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI) : (a) to (c) while holding delegation level discussions during the visit of the French Defence Minister to India in December, 1988, the French side was intimated that the Indian side viewed defence corporation between India and France as involving not only purchase of equipment but also joint development and production efforts and buy-back arrangements as well. The French side are, however, yet to respond with concrete proposals. No agreements have, therefore, been signed on the subject.